

# *St. Hilda's Anglican Church, Fairbank*

***The First Sunday in Lent***

***February 21, 2021***

***10:30 AM***

***Priest-in-Charge:*** Fr. Kenute Francis  
***Organist:*** William "Bill" Khan

***On Duty Today:***  
***Crucifer-*** *Winston Coombes*

***Readers -*** *Dione Robertson*  
*Andrea Belle*

***Tech Team-*** *Matthew Harris*  
*William Greenidge*  
*Jerry Watts*

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

*The purpose of St. Hilda's Church is to be Christ-centered in our life and worship, to serve lovingly those within our family and others within our reach that the spirit of God might empower us for worship, and pastoral care.*

## *The Order of Service*

**Organ Prelude: O Love how deep how Broad**

**Processional: Lead Us Heavenly Father Lead Us**

**Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us**

*Text: James Edmeston; Music: F. Felitz; Tune: Mannheim*

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us  
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;  
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,  
for we have no help but thee;  
yet possessing every blessing,  
if our God our Father be.

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us:  
all our weakness thou dost know;  
thou didst tread this earth before us,  
thou didst feel its keenest woe;  
lone and dreary, faint and weary,  
through the desert thou didst go

Spirit of our God, descending,  
fill our hearts with heavenly joy,  
love with every passion blending,  
pleasure that can never cloy:  
thus provided, pardoned, guided,  
nothing can our peace destroy.

## **Opening Prayer**

~ posted on the Presbyterian Church USA website. <http://www.pcusa.org/>

Holy God, by the grace of Jesus Christ you know the tests and trials we face. Come to us now and walk with us through this wilderness and even as we contemplate the effects of racism.

Come to us with ministers of healing and visit us with messengers of hope, so that we may return to you and live our lives in faith, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen**

## **The Greeting:**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## **Welcome**

## **The Collect for Purity**

Almighty God,

**to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

## **Kyrie Eleison**

**Lord, have mercy,  
Christ, have mercy,  
Lord, have mercy.**

## **The Collect of the Day**

Let us pray,

Almighty God, whose Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are but did not sin, give us grace to discipline ourselves in submission to your Spirit, that as you know our weakness, so we may know your power to save; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**The First Reading: Genesis 9:8-17** (*Dione Robertson*)

*God's covenant to Noah and future generations through a rainbow that the earth will never be destroyed by flood*

A Reading from the Book of Genesis

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**Responsive Reading:**            **Psalm 25:1-9**    (*Dionne Robertson*)  
*God's people are invited to follow God's covenant*

1. To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
2. **Let none who look to you be put to shame; let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.**
3. Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.
4. **Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.**
5. Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.
6. **Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.**
7. Gracious and upright is the Lord; therefore he teaches sinners in his way
8. **He guides the humble in doing right and teaches his way to the lowly.**
9. All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

Glory to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
**As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.**  
**Amen.**

**The Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22 (Andrea Belle)**

*Christ extended God's covenant through the waters of baptism.*

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you - not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**Gradual Musical: Forty Days and Fort Nights**

*Text: Francis Pott; Music: G. Nuremburg; Tune: Heinlein*

Forty days and forty nights  
thou wast fasting in the wild;  
forty days and forty nights  
tempted, and yet undefiled.

So shall we have peace divine:  
holier gladness ours shall be;  
round us, too, shall angels shine,  
such as ministered to thee.

Keep, oh keep us, Saviour dear,  
ever constant by thy side;  
that with thee we may appear  
at the eternal Eastertide.

**The Holy Gospel**      **Mark 1:9-15**      *Fr. Kenute*

*Christ is God's covenant exemplified through his baptism and subsequent defeat of the devil.*

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

The Gospel of Christ

**Praise to you Lord, Jesus Christ**

**The Sermon:**

*Fr Kenute*

**Hymn: Jesus, Thou Joy of loving Hearts**

*Text: Ray Palmer; Music: William Gardiner; Tune: Walton*

Jesus, Thou Joy of loving hearts,  
Thou Fount of life, Thou Light of men,  
From the best bliss that earth imparts,  
We turn unfilled to Thee again.

Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood;  
Thou savest those that on Thee call;  
To them that seek Thee, Thou art good,  
To them that find Thee, all in all!

Our restless spirits yearn for Thee,  
Where'er our changeful lot is cast;  
Glad when Thy gracious smile we see,  
Blest, when our faith can hold Thee fast.

**The Nicene Creed**

Let us confess our faith, as we say,  
**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven  
and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally  
begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God  
from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he  
came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he  
became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For  
our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death  
and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with  
the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right  
hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living  
and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**The Intercession:**           *(Andrea Belle)*

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Let us pray

Steadfast God, thank you for sheltering us in the storms of life.

Thank you for ministering to us through angels seen and unseen in times that test us.

Thank you for claiming us as a people beloved forever.

We rejoice when dark clouds of trouble are overtaken by the light of your presence and new possibilities.

We pray for churches and especially for our parish, its annual vestry.

In planning for the future give us vision,

In matters of finance give us responsibility,

In dealing with people give us love.

Great and powerful God,

**Strengthen us**

Hear our prayers, we ask, for the deep needs of the world.

In places of violence and warfare,

give us the courage to lay down our weapons of death and promote life and well-being instead.

In places of drought and fire,

bring rains that make the earth colorful and verdant again.

In places where the waters overtake their boundaries,

allow the overflowing chaos to recede.

Great and powerful God,  
**Rescue us**

Surrounded by violence and cries for justice, we hear your voice telling us what is required, “Only to do justice and to love goodness, and to walk humbly with your God” Strip away pride, suspicion, and racism so that we may seek peace and justice in our communities. Strengthen our hearts so that they beat only to the rhythm of your holy will. Flood our path with your light as we walk humbly toward a future filled with encounter and unity.

Great and powerful God,  
**Free us**

Loving God, in life and in death, we belong to you.  
So in the midst of life, we entrust ourselves to your care.  
We are bold to ask for help when we are confused, lost, or afraid.  
We are eager to ask for healing for our bodies and minds,  
whether wounded, ill, or recovering. We remember Petrona Levy,  
Gilda Davis, Ruth Andrews, Don Krasnovich, Lucille Calder, Doraline  
Alexander, Helen and Mark Hancock, Gloria and Ancille Parsons,  
Pablo Velasquez, Barbara Gordon, Hyacinth Brooks, Mary Engels,  
Hermon Lobban, Wilton Holas, Len Green, Marcia Sealy, Geane  
Goodman, Sophia Goodman, Percy Lorde and Jeffrey Legair.

And we are unceasing in our prayers for those we love  
who are far from us physically, emotionally, or spiritually.  
Great and powerful God,  
**Heal us**

In the midst of death and grief, even though we are weary,  
we return again and again, praying for comfort,  
for an easing of the pain that comes from loss,  
and for the light of your presence to pierce the present darkness.  
Great and powerful God,  
**Give rest and comfort**

As the heavens were torn open at Jesus' baptism, and the curtain in the temple was torn at his crucifixion, so now tear open anything that divides us from you

We desire to hear your voice of love,  
to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit,  
and to see you clearly.

Lead us to serve others faithfully as disciples of Jesus Christ,  
in whose name we pray.

**Amen.**

### **The Confession and Absolution**

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### ***The Peace***

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

**Black History:** Highlighting Contributions of Black Canadian  
*Malcolm Mayer, Marisa Mayer & Cheyanne Coombes-Codrington.*

**Offertory Instrumental: Lift Every Voice and Sing**  
*Text: J. W. Johnson; Music: J. R. Johnson;*

Lift every voice and sin Till earth and heaven ring  
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty  
Let our rejoicing rise, High as the listening skies  
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea

**Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us**  
**Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us**  
**Facing the rising sun of our new day begun**  
**Let us march on till victory is won**

Stony the road we trod, Bitter the chastening rod  
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died  
Yet with a steady beat, Have not our weary feet  
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?

**We have come over a way that with tears has been watered**  
**We have come, treading our path through the blood of the**  
**slaughtered**  
**Out from the gloomy past Till now we stand at last**  
**Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast**

God of our weary years. God of our silent tears  
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way  
Thou who has by Thy might Led us into the light  
Keep us forever in the path, we pray

**Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee**  
**Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee**  
**Shadowed beneath Thy hand may we forever stand**  
**True to our God, True to our native land.**

## **The Prayer over the Gifts**

**God our refuge and our strength, receive all we offer you this day, and through the death and resurrection of your Son transform us to his likeness. We ask this in his name. Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

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In a world where we have, in the past,  
enslaved and dehumanized others,

**we go to treat each person with dignity and respect.**

In a world where profit is valued more than human life,

**we go to proclaim the priceless worth of each person.**

In a world where the ugliness of racism  
and White supremacy is found,

**we go to show that love conquers all social ills.**

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage;

hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil;

strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak;

help the afflicted; honour everyone;

love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit;

and the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be amongst you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

### ***Announcements***

#### **The Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

#### **Recessional Instrumental: Onward Christian Soldiers**

*Text: Sabine Baring-Gould; Music: Author Sullivan; Tune: St. Gertrude*

Onward, Christian soldiers! Marching as to war,  
With the cross of Jesus going on before.  
Christ, the royal Master, leads against the foe;  
Forward into battle, see his banners go!

**Onward, Christian soldiers! Marching as to war,  
With the cross of Jesus, going on before.**

At the sign of triumph, Satan's host doth flee;  
On, then, Christian soldiers, on to victory.  
Hell's foundations quiver, at the shout of praise;  
Brothers, lift your voices, loud your anthems raise.

**Onward, Christian soldiers! Marching as to war,  
With the cross of Jesus, going on before.**

Like a mighty army, moves the Church of God;  
Brothers, we are treading where the Saints have trod.  
We are not divided; all one body we:  
One in hope and doctrine, one in charity.

**Onward, Christian soldiers! Marching as to war,  
With the cross of Jesus, going on before.**

***Postlude: Yield Not to Temptation***

## NOTICES

- Please join us for worship online every Sunday at 10:30 am on You Tube or on the website: [www.sthildasanglicanchurch.com](http://www.sthildasanglicanchurch.com)

- **Annual Vestry Zoom Meeting, February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021, 1pm..**

Join Zoom Meeting. Meeting opens at 12:40pm

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**WEDNESDAYS**  
**7:30 PM**

  
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<b>FEB 24</b>	<b>Spirituality &amp; The Pandemic (Self-Care)</b> Elizabeth McCarthy & Margaret Reid <small>SPEAKERS</small>
<b>MAR 3</b>	<b>Discipleship &amp; The Neighbourhood</b> Bruce Smith <small>SPEAKER</small>
<b>MAR 10</b>	<b>Dealing with Isolation and Death</b> Rev. Jo Davies <small>SPEAKER</small>
<b>MAR 17</b>	<b>Systemic Racism—Uncovering its Layers</b> Bro. Reginald Crenshaw <small>SPEAKER</small>
<b>MAR 24</b>	<b>The Jesus Shaped Life Cross and the Resurrection</b> Meredith Hawkins <small>SPEAKER</small>

## Lenten Series 2021

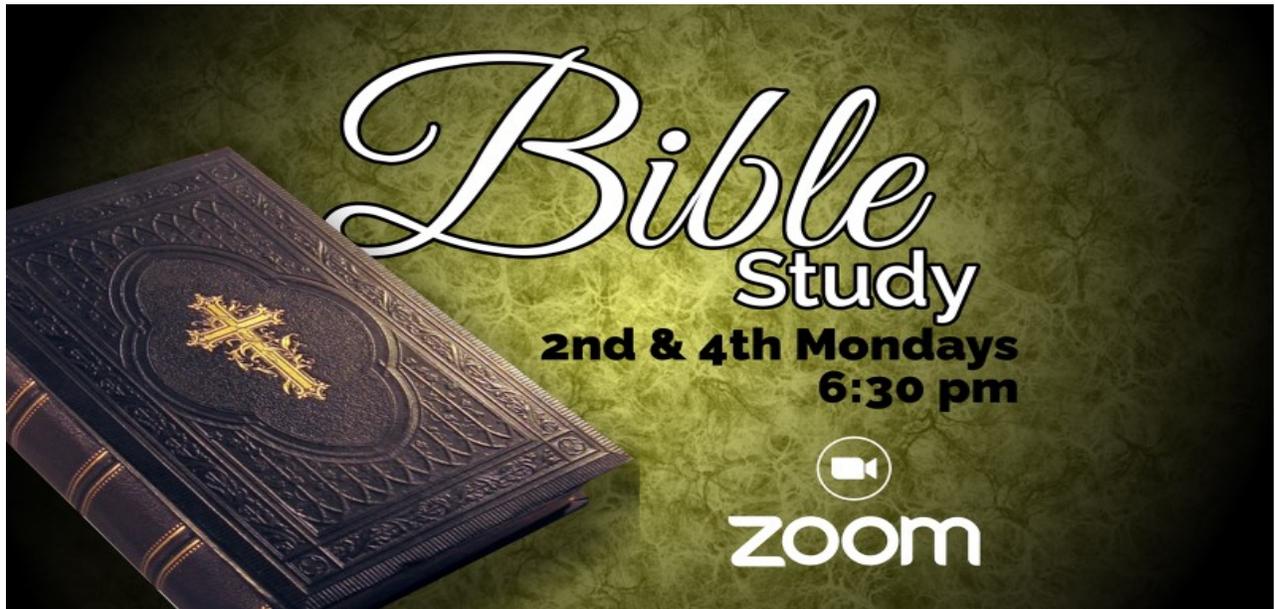
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## **Zoom Bible Study**

*February 22, 7pm – (Luke 15:11-32)*

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- **Bite & Sip, Noon day devotion:** Every Tuesday & Thursday (Facebook live – St. Hilda’s Fairbank Anglican Church)
- **Kids for Jesus (K4J)** – Every Sunday at 12 noon (*Facebook website- & YouTube*)
- **Offerings:** can be mailed in to the church, or parishioners can use the drop box at the church on Saturdays and Sundays 10am-12noon.

### **Readings for Next Sunday, February 28 – The Second Sunday in Lent**

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 Psalm 22:22-30 Romans 4:13-25 Mark 8:31-38

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– Moderator: Br. Reginald Crenshaw, OHC

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**Service Time**

**4:30 PM - 6:00 PM (prelude start at 4:15 pm)**

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